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Michigan Commission for the Blind Holds February Meeting in Lansing

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The Michigan Commission for the Blind (MCB) will hold its monthly meeting Tuesday, February 18 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Victor Building, 201 North Washington Square, in Lansing.

In addition to monthly updates by commission staff, the February meeting agenda includes a report by Michael Leahy, Ph.D. on the Michigan Comprehensive Statewide Needs Assessment conducted in July 2002. The meeting will also feature a report from the MCB Image and Identity Team, including a five-minute video on the commission and its services narrated by Ernie Harwell.

The meeting site is accessible. Individuals attending the meetings are requested to refrain from using heavily scented personal care products in order to enhance accessibility for everyone. People with disabilities requiring additional services or alternative formats in order to participate in the meeting should call Larry Best at (517) 373-2062.

MCB provides opportunities for individuals with visual disabilities to achieve independence and/or employment. The commission's five-member policy board, appointed by the governor, oversees programs throughout Michigan and serves an average of more than 5,000 state residents annually. MCB is administratively attached to the Family Independence Agency.

For further information, contact MCB at (517) 373-2062 or consult the FIA website at www.michigan.gov/fia